# BUSINESS SUPPORTING COLLEGE- AND CAREER-READINESS



#### The U.S. Economic and Education Reality

More than high school students **FAIL TO GRADUATE** each year.





Companies spend about



LITERACY SKILLS of entry-level workers.

More than of students entering twoyear colleges and nearly

of those entering four-year universities are placed in REMEDIAL CLASSES.

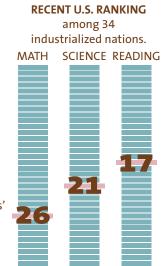
setting them back from day one.





of employers are **DISSATISFIED** with high school graduates' ability to read,

understand, think analytically, and solve real-world problems.



## Rigorous K-12 Educational State Standards: An Essential Ingredient for College- and Career-Readiness

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS** and MATHEMATICS.





**VOLUNTARILY ADOPTED** by over







Already supported by of Math and English TEACHERS.

**LETS STATES DECIDE** curricula and teaching methods.



### High-Quality K-12 Standards Help Students Succeed in College and Career

**HIGHER INCOMES** 

increase in earnings for an individual with a BACHELOR'S DEGREE.





school diploma

High school diploma

UNEMPLOYMENT

Bureau of Labor Statistics. August 2015

**More Education = Less Unemployment** 

Some college or associate's degree



Bachelor's degree or higher

## How Business Can Support College- and Career-Ready Standards

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with schools and parents.



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stakeholders.



Information from CED's College- and Career-Ready White Paper and Toolkit.